



REMARKS

Applicant has amended the specification **as mandated** by 37 C.F.R. Section 1.78 and the United States Patent Office to claim priority of prior patent applications. No new matter is added.

In view of the above, it is respectfully believed that all the presently submitted claims are allowable and a Formal Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited. It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance, however, if the Examiner feels otherwise, a telephone interview is respectfully requested. An early notice of allowance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Version With Markings to Show Changes Made

Following is a marked-up version of the added Paragraph with all changes shown by conventional comparison (underlining and bracketeting):

APPLICATION CROSS-REFERENCES

This application claims priority of International Application No. PCT/GB00/02413 filed June 21, 2000 and published in English. This application also claims priority of Great Britain Patent No. 9914418.0, filed June 22, 1999.